

The Community Connection

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SPOTLIGHT ON OUR PARKS

The Augusta Boxing Club



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The Augusta Boxing Club was started in 1974 in the personal garage of **Tom Moraetes**. At the time Tom was working in the Juvenile Court as a Probation Officer for the City of Augusta. He volunteered all of his efforts from 1974 until 1995. In 1995, the City of Augusta decided that it was time to the bring



the Augusta Boxing Club on full time with the Augusta Recreation and Parks Department. Some of the Super Stars of the boxing club include **Lawrence "Poncho" Carter** who was Ranked #1 in 1978 by USA Boxing and was the 1978 U.S. Olympic Festival Gold Medalist, **Vernon Forrest** who began boxing at age 9 was on the 1992 Olympic Team, **Brandon Mitchem** who boxed with the club from 1990 until 1996 and **Jason Hudson** and **Frank Durst** who were the Georgia State Champions for 10 years. Currently, two Super Boxers are training at the facility under the direction on Tom. **Ray "Stingray" Whitfield** has been boxing since 1994 with the club. He was the 2004 United States Olympic Trials Silver medalist. **Cristy "Code Red" Terherst** is a professional boxer and certified coach. She is ranked in the top five in the world. She holds a degree in Exercise Physiology from the University of Memphis. The program is open for boys and girls between the ages of 7–16 and uses boxing as a tool to attract young people to build their confidence, develop self discipline and learn to function as a team. There is no charge to participate in the program, however, all who participate must be committed to following a strict code of conduct and character which includes behavior in the gym, home, school and community.

For more information call (706) 733-7533.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

TOM F. BECK, JR.

The Augusta Boxing Club was placed under the operational responsibility of the Recreation and Parks Department in 1995 and has been an important function of the department ever since. Long time head coach and Director Tom Moraetes and his many volunteers have organized and implemented what is considered one of the premier boxing programs in the country.

The opportunities afforded our citizens, both male and female, to participate in this great activity lies in not only the work of staff and volunteers, but dozens of dedicated corporate sponsors as well. In addition, the hosting of many state, regional and national tournaments and matches throughout the years has made a positive impact on the local economy, bringing in millions of dollars to Augusta

Augusta Boxing Club Motto

It's Better To Sweat In The Gym—Than Bleed In The Street

Levels of Participation

Boys & Girls -Age 7 –16

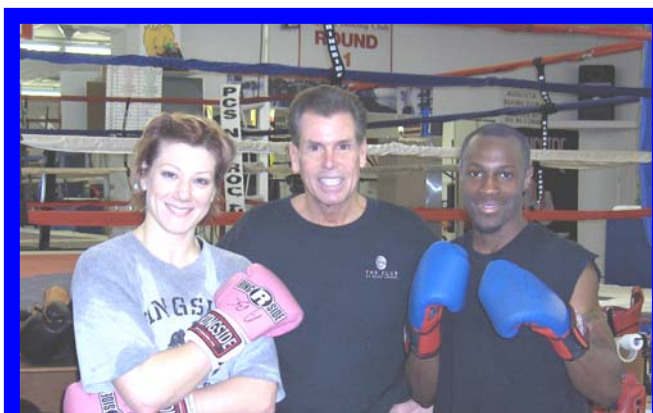
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Programs Offered At The Augusta Boxing Club

*Star Boxer of the Month

- *Student of the Year
- *Parent(s) of the Year
- *Scholarship Program
- *Health Clinics
- *Medical Seminars
- *Computer Classes



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Tom Moraetes, Director / Head Coach
Cristy "Code Red" Terherst, Professional Boxer/Coach
Ray "Stingray" Whitfield, Undefeated Professional Boxer

Summer National Boxing Classic

June 15–17

May Park

Monthly Sparring

Last Thursday of each month

5:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m



COMMITMENT AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Volunteers play an integral part in all of our events and programs. We are constantly looking for volunteers for our youth athletic programs, special events, tournaments, community center assistance, and in various other capacities.

For more information pertaining to Volunteering with our department please contact us at (706) 796-5025.

In order to reward the volunteers and instructors of the Augusta Recreation and Parks for exceptional performance and as incentive to continue to serve, each month, one (1) Volunteer or Instructor of the Augusta Recreation and Parks will be honored and will receive a framed certificate and personalized letter of congratulations from the Director.



2005 Volunteer of the Year

**Shaun Bradley
with**

Bill Botham 2004 Volunteer of the Year

Shaun Bradley was named the 2005

Volunteer of the Year for the Augusta

Recreation and Parks Department at the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet.

He has spent most of his life in basketball and has volunteered for the athletic division for over 15 years.

He is a very dedicated volunteer basketball coach and works not only with his teams but with any children to help them improve their skills and character.

His accomplishments in our program are best defined by the large amount of parents that request for their kids to be on his teams each year.

Mark Your Calendar—Upcoming Events

April 22	Local Boys & Girls Track	Cross Creek High School	(706) 796-5025
April 29	Rocky Creek Spring Fest	Augusta Tech	(706) 796-5025
May 5-6	GRPA State Track	West Side High School	(706) 796-5025
May 20	May Fest	May Park	(706) 821-1754
May 25	Golden Olympics	Lake Olmstead Park	(706) 821-1754
May 29	Memorial Day Concert	Amphitheater	(706) 821-1754
June 10	Mayor's Fishing Rodeo	Mayor's Fishing Hole	(706) 821-1754
July 4	2006 Riverblast	Augusta Common	(706) 821-1754

Support The Youth of Augusta - Richmond County

For more information contact:

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Sponsorship Levels

Platinum Level	20 team sponsorships / year	\$2,000.00	
	3 Recreation Department Golf Shirts / 1 Recreation Department Jacket		
	5 Rounds of golf with cart	2 Recreation Department Caps	Sponsor Plaque(s) with Team Pictures
	Name of sponsor posted on Sponsor Board in gyms		
Gold Level	12 team sponsorships / year	\$1,500.00	
	2 Recreation Department Golf Shirts / 1 Recreation Department Jacket		
	4 rounds of golf with cart	2 Recreation Department Caps	Sponsor Plaque(s) with Team Pictures
	Name of sponsor posted on Sponsor Board in gyms		
Silver Level	8 team sponsorships / year	\$1,200.00	
	1 Recreation Department Golf Shirt / 1 Recreation Department Jacket		
	3 Rounds of golf with cart	1 Recreation Department Cap	Sponsor Plaque(s) with Team Pictures
	Name of sponsor posted on Sponsor Board in gyms		
Bronze Level	6 team sponsorships / year	\$1,000.00	
	1 Recreation Department Golf Shirt	1 Recreation Department Cap	
	2 Rounds of golf with cart		Sponsor Plaque(s) with Team Pictures
	Name of sponsor posted on Sponsor Board in gyms		
Nickel Level	4 team sponsorships / year	\$800.00	
	1 Recreation Department Cap	1 Round of golf with cart	Sponsor Plaque(s) with Team Pictures
	Name of sponsor posted on Sponsor Board in gyms		
Copper Level	1st team sponsorship/year	\$250.00	
	2nd team sponsorship/year	\$225.00	
	3rd team sponsorship/year	\$200.00	
	Name of sponsor posted on Sponsor Board in gym / 1 Round of golf with cart		Sponsor Plaque(s) with Team Pictures



Cases and Container Collection for Georgia Safe Homes

Did you know that every day foster children move from home to home with their personal belongings in trash Bags?

The staff and friends of Augusta Recreation and Parks collected over 300 suitcases - book bags - duffel bags - and storage containers to help Georgia Safe Homes give the foster children their own personnel suitcases.

The items were given to Sonya Marks and Voltrina Williams -Hawes with Georgia Safe Homes and will be given to foster children.

Are You Trying To Locate A Park?
Find Parks is a new link on the Web Site. You can locate a map by Districts and get directions and find out everything about the park site. These maps are provided courtesy of Google Maps. The city of Augusta is not affiliated with Google. Map images belong to Google and visitors must abide by their Terms of Use. Google has provided this map service and reserves the right to change, alter, modify or upgrade it at any time.

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